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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

- 1) References AO - AS have been cited in the International Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 2) References [redacted] have been cited in the corresponding [redacted] Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 3) References [redacted] are discussed in the specification. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 4) References AA & AT are additional prior art known to Applicant. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.

**AO: 11-271453**

The present invention is made for nondestructive examination of an interior portion of a measuring object using a radiation. The present invention suggests an improvement of a structure and components on a scintillator to measure an object by color in accordance with the type ( $\alpha$ -ray,  $\beta$ -ray,  $\gamma$ -ray, X-ray or neutron) of the radiation or an energy of an X-ray or a  $\gamma$ -ray.

**AT: 2001-209142**

The present invention is made about a color roentgen method and apparatus of which a color emission sheet is combined with a color film or a color camera according to a roentgen method used for medical diagnosis or nondestructive examination. Especially, a fluorescent material or a fluorescent layer which reacts to a radiation to emit in a plurality of colors is improved.